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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired July 2, 2004, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for one (1) month. There is also attached our Check No. 17864 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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